

## Alexandria Gazette.

FRIDAY EVENING, APRIL 20.

## LOCAL MATTERS

For this district fair weather, slightly colder, fresh to brisk northwesterly winds.

**CITY SCHOOL BOARD.**—A meeting of the board was held last night at the request of the committee on schoolhouses, as it was found to be impossible to erect the new building in the time proposed. All the members were present, and Supt. Carne, from the committee, stated the difficulty and proposed, instead of using the bricks of the old building, to keep the schools in it until the new one shall be finished.

Mr. Vincent opposed closing them on the 15th of May.

Col. Smith offered closing, and thought it would pay to pave with the bricks.

Mr. Strauss also opposed closing and thought it would cost too much to rent rooms.

Judge Stuart (Col. Smith in the chair) changed the entire course of the discussion by presenting the petition of T. E. Uler and other prominent citizens.

They were testing in the neighborhood, asking the board to reconsider its vote of Friday last and place the building on or near the southwest corner of the lot. He advocated a change in the building, urging the board not to destroy the lawn and trees on the corner, but to close the market and better location.

Besides, he said, the erection of such a building should not be hurried.

Col. Smith replied with much force. He did not think the chairman happy in his reference to the money question; that was the corner of two busy streets; here neither street was paved. Col. Stuart had said that there would be a damp court between the old and the new building. It would be 20 feet wide and that would give all the air and light necessary. A change of location would divide the playgrounds too. Besides, the farther the house could be placed from the railroad the better it would be.

Mr. White, one of the petitioners, had told him that the vibration had already injured his house, though farther off. Besides, should a wing be needed hereafter where was it to go? He had great respect for the petitioners, but they were suffering from injury, and he had doubts as to the right of the board to change the location at a meeting called for another purpose.

Mr. Strauss said his mind remained unchanged by any of the reasons assigned for a change and he should vote against one.

Mr. Vincent had frankly told Col. Smith that he should change his vote. The house would be better on the corner, but he was willing to oblige the neighbors.

Mr. W. F. Carne said he should have voted with the majority had he been present, but further consideration had satisfied him that it would cost \$1,000 to make the necessary improvements on the south, should the house be upon the corner. Besides, he believed that some day national aid would be extended to Washington's old school. Our children would see a finer building arise about it than we could erect.

Mr. Sweeney had thought it best to have postponed the decision until Monday night; then the board could have acted with more knowledge and change would have been necessary. He was not particular as to the site but thought the property holders ought to be consulted.

Mr. W. F. Carne replied that it would have only delayed the matter to have done so, as those petitioners would not then have been heard from; he, too, thought they should be consulted.

Judge Stuart then offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That the new school be located at or near the southern intersection of the lot owned by this board on Washington street, east of, instead of the southeast corner of Washington and Wolfe streets.

Mr. Strauss thought the board had nothing to do with outsiders; it had received the trust of providing for the schools and must exercise its judgment in so doing. Mr. Vincent differed with him; he thought the petitioners much interested, of more, in the matter than the trustees. There must be a spirit of compromise.

Col. Smith saw no compromise in the matter. What injury had the petitioners sustained? He was always glad to hear the trustee from the Third ward (Mr. W. F. Carne) and thought his dream a pretty one, but it was merely a dream. The people had built a magnificent monument to Washington. It was very unlikely that Congress would ever build a house for us when it would not even pass the Blair bill.

Mr. W. F. Carne did not object to his remarks being called a dream, but it was one likely to come true. Each succeeding generation was likely, as history showed, to honor the early benefactors of its nation. No people had ever failed to do so, and his dream was quite as likely to be realized as Mount Vernon Avenue. As to the Blair bill, nine-tenths of the people favored it, and the people would, ere long, have their way and elect a Congress which would give it to them. He suggested that to avoid all doubt as to the proper course of proceedings some one who had voted with the majority on Friday move a reconsideration, and Mr. Sweeney, saying that he thought the wishes of the people ought to be consulted, did so, and the motion was carried. Ayes—Messrs. Bryant, W. F. Carne, Fendall, Leadbeater, Marbury, Stuart, Sweeney and Vincent, 8. Noes—Messrs. Aitchison, Mankin, Smith and Strauss, 4.

Mr. Sweeney then asked whether the old house could still be used while the new one was being built at the corner. Would not the foundations have to be too near?

Mr. Vincent said the matter had not occurred to him. The foundations would be within 15 inches of the old wall and would, of course, render it unsafe.

Mr. Marbury, having been engaged with the Council Committee on Light, had not heard all the facts in the case, and would like to do so, before voting. Several times repeated briefly the reasons they had given, and Judge Stuart's resolution was then adopted as a substitute for the reconsidered motion. Ayes—Messrs. Bryant, W. F. Carne, Fendall, Leadbeater, Stuart, Sweeney and Vincent, 7. Noes—Messrs. Aitchison, Mankin, Marbury, Smith and Strauss, 6.

On motion of Mr. Leadbeater, the Committee on Schoolhouses and Furniture was authorized to rent suitable rooms for Washington School, Nos. 1, 2, and 3.

Mr. Leadbeater, from the Committee on Finance and Accounts, then reported that Mr. Gibson had agreed to take \$7,000 as the work progressed, and let \$3,000 be reserved until the completion and approval of the building, and offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That the Clerk of this Board is hereby instructed to inform the City Council that \$7,000 will be needed by the Board in October next to pay for the new school house to be erected, and to ask for an additional appropriation for said purpose.

Mr. Sweeney thought it would be best for the board to borrow the money.

Mr. W. F. Carne thought \$10,000 a year should be asked for in the regular estimates, as long as it was needed. Council would be asked that method better, as it was the one prescribed by law.

A conversational debate followed in which

it appeared to be generally thought that it would be best to notify Council of the amount needed at once, and let it either give it all at once or in installments as might be most convenient.

The resolution was then agreed to. On motion of Mr. Strauss, the committee on schoolhouses was directed to put into the wall of the academy building a marble tablet with an inscription showing it to have been the cradle of the school, and at 9:30 the board adjourned.

**PERSONAL.**—Mr. N. B. Meade, jr., of this city, has been tendered the position of librarian of the Aitchison and Santa Fe railroad.

Mr. M. B. Tyler, formerly of Warrenton, but more recently of Washington, has taken rooms at the Braddock House and with his family, will make this city their home.

Mr. R. M. Fryer, of the Arrow Steamship Company, and family, have taken rooms at the Braddock House, and will reside here for the present. Mr. Fryer for some time past has been engaged in drawing plans, etc., of his methods of building ships, which he will submit to the Chief Constructor of the Navy.

**DEAD.**—It was stated in the GAZETTE on Monday that the house of Margaret Scott, colored, near Annandale, in Fairfax county, was burned on Sunday night and that one child had been burned to death and two others badly injured. Since then the two children have died from the effects of their burns. One of the children escaped from the house but was so badly burned that he died in a short while. Sandy Scott, the grandfather of the children, was also badly burned. He was asleep down stairs and was not awakened till the ceiling burned through and one of the children, enveloped in flames, dropped upon him. The ages of the children were ten, four and three years.

**WATER GAS.**—Representatives of the United Gas Improvement Company of Philadelphia again had a conference with the Committee on Light last night in reference to the establishment of the water gas system in this city. As before stated, the company claim that by their system they can furnish gas with less labor, less fuel, and at less cost than it is now made here. The committee were much pleased with the plans and figures shown by the company, and asked the representatives to submit an estimate for the establishment of such works here.

**LIBEL.**—Mr. A. H. Agnew, of this city, through Mr. J. R. Caton, yesterday, in Baltimore, sued out a libel against the pleasure yacht Cygnus, owned by J. Paul Jones, of Baltimore. The yacht was repaired at the shipyard at this city about a year ago, at a cost of about one hundred dollars, but the owner refused to pay the bill. The yacht was found yesterday in Port Tobacco creek by the U. S. Marshal of Maryland, who brought her up to Fort Foote where she now lies.

**THE C. & O. CANAL.**—Up to this time about 20,000 tons of coal have been shipped by the C. & O. Canal, which is in condition for business, and has escaped damage from spring freshets. The estimate is made that there are enough sound boats to carry 800,000 tons of coal, and that 600,000 tons are expected. The rates to Georgetown are 40 cents a ton for tolls and 4 cents for wharfage, and for coastwise shipment 30 cents for tolls and 4 cents for wharfage.

**POLICE REPORT.**—Last night was clear and cool till about 1 o'clock, when it became cloudy. There were three lodgers and one prisoner at the station house. The only case before the Mayor this morning was that of Chas. Thomas, colored, charged with cutting Penny Hill with a knife, and with house breaking. He was sent on to the grand jury.

**FISH.**—Since yesterday about 150,000 herring and 800 shad have arrived at Fishtown. Herring sold at from \$3.50 to \$4 per thousand; shad at from \$10 to \$13 per hundred, and rock and perch at 25 to 35¢ per bunch. It is thought that the high winds of the past day or so will interfere with the catch of fish.

**RESIGNATION.**—It is understood that at the next meeting of the City Council Mr. Benoni Wheat, President of the Board of Fire Wardens, will tender his resignation as such. Mr. Wheat has made a faithful and efficient officer, and it is hoped he may be induced to reconsider his determination.

**BISHOP RANDOLPH'S APPOINTMENTS.**—The following are among Bishop Randolph's appointments: May 4, p. m., Theological Seminary; May 5, p. m., Grace, Alexandria; May 6, a. m., Christ, Alexandria; May 7, p. m., St. Paul's, Alexandria.

**MRS. MARY S. LIPPINCOTT.** widow of the late Isaac Lippincott, died on Wednesday at her home in Camden, N. J., in the 87th year of her age. She was a sister of the late Benjamin Halliwell, of this city and at one time taught school here.

**LOCAL BREVITIES.**

At Haight's saw mill, Chantilly, Fairfax county, a large white oak log was recently sawed in which was found seven minute balls—relics of the war.

The man Jett, who was arrested in this city several weeks ago, charged with stealing a watch in Stafford county, was tried in that county on Wednesday. The trial resulted in a hung jury—eleven for acquittal.

The St. John's Cadets will drill at the K. of P. fair to night when a gold badge will be awarded to the best drilled member. The judges will be Capt. Mushbach and Lieuts. Monroe and Bryan of the A. L. I. General Lee is expected to visit the fair to night.

To day has been cool and blustery, the March-like wind filling the atmosphere with clouds of dust, and making walking very disagreeable.

The canal boat Round Top loaded with cement from Hancock, Md., arrived here to day to Messrs. Perry Smoot & Co.

Attention is called to the advertisement of the sale of valuable real estate to take place to-morrow.

The remains of A. Campbell Mason, son of Dr. J. F. Mason, of Loudoun, who died in Washington on Wednesday, were brought here this morning and interred from Christ Church.

A number of members of the Lodge of Growlers, of Washington, will be entertained to night at a grand banquet at the Braddock House.

The land at and around Carlin's Springs, in the county, is being rapidly sold and numbers of fine houses are being erected there.

The funeral of the late Thomas Dobie took place from his late home on Lee street this morning.

**NOTICE.**—The annual meeting of the stockholders of the AMERICAN TELEPHONE COMPANY will be held at Bentsville, Prince William county, Virginia, on the FIRST DAY OF MAY, 1888, for the election of officers and such other business as may be presented for the action of stockholders.

GEO. A. SAWYER, President.  
CHAS. A. MAXWELL, Secretary. [ap20]td

PRIME TABLE BUTTER, fresh, received to-day by [ap20] J. C. MILBURN.

EAGLE BRAND CONDENSED MILK received to-day by [ap20] J. C. MILBURN.

## INSTANTANEOUS PROCESS

## New Photographic Studio, 321 King st.

One dozen Cabinet, \$3; do. and Crayon, 16c20. \$5. MINETTE and PETITTE PHOTOS, \$1.50 per dozen. Interior Views of Residences by the FLASH PROCESS AT NIGHT. Agency for Acme Copying Co. of Chicago. N. H. NARMORE, Operator.

## MONETARY AND COMMERCIAL.

Nothing worthy of special mention this week in financial or commercial matters. There has been some little improvement in the grain trade, with slight advances in prices. Money is yet very scarce in the rural districts and elsewhere outside of the large cities, where it is quoted easy. U. S. bonds are firm but inactive. State securities very quiet, and quotations of Virginia nominal—nothing of consequence doing. Railroad stocks and bonds are dull. We quote: Va. Mid. 1st 11½c; 2d 11½c; 3d 10½c; 4th 8c; 5th 9c.

**NEW YORK, April 20.**—The opening of the stock market was only moderately active this morning, and first prices were generally slightly higher than last evening's closing figures. The market was irregular, unsettled and feverish in the early trading, but the fluctuations were confined to very small fractions in most cases, with a decline of ¾ in Richmond and West Point. There was no positive character to the market throughout the hour, and at 11 o'clock it was unsettled at irregular changes of small fractions from opening prices. There was a good business in all the active lists. Money easy at 2.

**BALTIMORE, April 20.**—Virginia Gs consolidated—past-due coupons 64; 10-40s 35½; new 3s 64½ bid to-day.

**WHOLESALE PRICES OF PRODUCE APRIL 20.**

Flour, fine	25 00	@	25 00
Superfine	27 50	@	3 00
Extra	37 50	@	4 25
Family	45 00	@	5 00
Fancy brands	47 50	@	5 25
Wheat, Longberry	0 85	@	0 95
Mixed	0 84	@	0 93
Fair Wheat	0 78	@	0 82
Damp and tough	0 70	@	0 78
Corn, white	0 62	@	0 63
Yellow	0 62	@	0 63
Corn Meal	0 60	@	0 62
Oats	0 60	@	0 72
Barley	0 45	@	0 45
Common to middling	0 22	@	0 27
Eggs	0 13	@	0 14
Live Chickens	0 8	@	0 9
Hind quarters Beef	0 5	@	0 8
Fore quarters Beef	0 3	@	0 5
Veal Calves	0 4	@	0 6
Irish Potatoes per bushel	1 20	@	0 80
Onions	2 50	@	3 25
Dried Peaches, peeled	0 15	@	0 18
" " unpeeled	0 7	@	0 10
" " cherries	0 10	@	0 12
Dried Apples	0 5	@	0 6
Bacon—Hams, country	0 12	@	0 12½
Best sugar cured Hams	0 12	@	0 12½
Katfish—Hams	0 12	@	0 12½
Breakfast Bacon	0 9	@	0 9½
Sugar-cured Shoulders	0 8	@	0 8½
Bulk shoulders	0 6½	@	0 7
" " fat backs	0 7½	@	0 8½
" " ballins	0 8½	@	0 9½
Bacon Shoulders	0 7½	@	0 7¾
" " sides	0 7½	@	0 8¾
Lard	0 12	@	0 13
Smoked Beef	0 12	@	0 13
Sugar—Brown	0 5½	@	0 5¾
Off A	0 6½	@	0 6¾
Conf. Standard A	0 6½	@	0 6¾
Granulated	0 7	@	0 7½
Coffees—Rio	0 14	@	0 17
La (Java)	0 16	@	0 18
Jack	0 22	@	0 24
Molasses B. S.	0 15	@	0 16
" C. B.	0 17	@	0 22
New Orleans	0 25	@	0 40
Porto Rico	0 22	@	0 30
Sugar-cured	0 30	@	0 38
Herring, Eastern, per bbl.	3 50	@	5 25
Potomac No. 1	5 00	@	5 50
Pot. Family Roe per bbl.	9 50	@	10 00
Do. per half barrel	4 75	@	5 25
Mackerel, small, per bbl.	0 00	@	0 00
" No. 3, medium	0 00	@	0 00
" No. 3, large fat	13 00	@	14 00
" No. 2	15 00	@	15 00
Clover Seed	4 00	@	4 75
Timothy	2 65	@	2 75
Plaster, ground, per ton	4 75	@	5 00
Ground in bags	5 75	@	6 00
Lump	3 50	@	3 75
Salt—G. A. (Liverpool)	0 75	@	0 80
Fine	1 25	@	1 30
Turk's Island	1 15	@	1 20
Wood—Long unwashed	0 26	@	0 27
Washed	0 30	@	0 34
Merino, unwashed	0 22	@	0 25
Do. Washed	0 30	@	0 34
Spinnet	0 70	@	0 75
Hay	13 00	@	16 00
Cut do	20 00	@	21 00
Wheat Bran per ton per car.	21 50	@	22 00
Brown Middlings	21 50	@	21 75
White Middlings	21 50	@	22 00
Honing Chips	23 00	@	24 00
Cotton Seed Meal	25 00	@	26 00

Flour shows a hardening tendency, and high grades have advanced about 15c per barrel. What is strong and active for the best samples, but inferior lots hold at old figures; sales at 75a 80 for common, 80a90 for fair to good and 90a95 for good to choice. Corn is without further change; 61a63 in bulk and 62a64 delivered. Rye 63a73. Oats 33a40. Eggs are dull at 12a13. Other produce is quiet and easy.

**BALTIMORE, April 20.**—Cotton steady and quiet; middling 9½c10. Flour steady and firm; Howard street and Western super \$2 37a2 75; do extra \$3 00a3 75; do family \$4 00a4 50; city mills super \$2 37a2 60; do extra \$3 00a3 75; do Rio brand \$4 70a5 00; Pa. extra superlative patent \$5 50; do family \$5 15. Wheat—Southern higher; red 93a97; amber 95a 100; Western higher, closing steady; No 2 wintered spot 90½a91; May 91½a91½; June 92a 92½; July 90½a90½. Corn quiet; Southern lower; white 62a63; yellow 63a64; Western easier and quiet; mixed spot 53½a54; asked; 60½a60½; June 59½a60½; Aug 60a61; Oats firm; Southern and Penna 33a43; Western white 42a43; do mixed 38a40. Rye firm at 70a75. Hay higher and in demand; prime to choice Western \$14a17. Provisions steady and firm. Mess Pork \$15. Bulk-meats—shoulders and clear rib sides packed 7a8½. Bacon—shoulders 7½a8½; clear rib sides 9; hams 12½. Lard refined 5½. Butter—lower. Western packed 17a 22; cream 23a27. Eggs lower and quiet at 12a12½. Coffee dull; Rio cargoes ordinary to fair 13½a14½. Sugar steady and firm; A soft 6 13 10. Whiskey steady at \$1 21a21 23.

**CHICAGO, April 20, 11 a. m.**—At this hour the May option is quoted as follows: Wheat 81½; Corn 56½; Oats 31 5 10; Pork \$14 15; Lard \$8 00; short ribs \$7 20.

**NEW YORK, April 20.**—Cotton steady; uplands 9½; Orleans 9½; futures quiet and firm. Flour quiet and steady. Wheat lower. Corn lower and dull. Pork steady at \$15 15a25. Old Mess Pork \$14 50a14 75. Lard steady at \$8 30.

**RICHMOND MARKET, April 19.**—There has been very little activity in the market during the week, with limited receipts of grain. Only 500 bushels of Wheat were offered, and no sales reported. Sales of Corn at 63½a64 for white.

**LYNCHBURG MARKET, April 19.**—There is somewhat greater activity in the market for Tobacco and prices have advanced. Flour is very quiet. Receipts of grain limited, and while prices are quiet, there has been no material change in quotations.

**FREDERICKSBURG MARKET, April 19.**—Market very quiet and no change whatever noted in quotations for Flour or grain.

**SUGAR AND COFFEE MARKET, April 19.**—Sugar. Holders of raw Sugars retain a confident feeling and make no special or direct effort to realize. Off rings are very small. We quote: Fair to good refining 4½a4 13-16; molasses Sugars 4½a4½; centrifugal, 96° test, 5½c. For refined sugars the market is firm in tone, with a steady trade and moderate demand. We quote: Hards cut 5 2½; 3½; 4½; 5½; 6½; 7½; 8½; 9½; 10½; 11½; 12½; 13½; 14½; 15½; 16½; 17½; 18½; 19½; 20½; 21½; 22½; 23½; 24½; 25½; 26½; 27½; 28½; 29½; 30½; 31½; 32½; 33½; 34½; 35½; 36½; 37½; 38½; 39½; 40½; 41½; 42½; 43½; 44½; 45½; 46½; 47½; 48½; 49½; 50½; 51½; 52½; 53½; 54½; 55½; 56½; 57½; 58½; 59½; 60½; 61½; 62½; 63½; 64½; 65½; 66½; 67½; 68½; 69½; 70½; 71½; 72½; 73½; 74½; 75½; 76½; 77½; 78½; 79½; 80½; 81½; 82½; 83½; 84½; 85½; 86½; 87½; 88½; 89½; 90½; 91½; 92½; 93½; 94½; 95½; 96½; 97½; 98½; 99½; 100½; 101½; 102½; 103½; 104½; 105½; 106½; 107½; 108½; 109½; 110½; 111½; 112½; 113½; 114½; 115½; 116½; 117½; 118½; 119½; 120½; 121½; 122½; 123½; 124½; 125½; 126½; 127½; 128½; 129½; 130½; 131½; 132½; 133½; 134½; 135½; 136½; 137½; 138½; 139½; 140½; 141½; 142½; 143½; 144½; 145½; 146½; 147½; 148½; 149½; 150½; 151½; 152½; 153½; 154½; 155½; 156½; 157½; 158½; 159½; 160½; 161½; 162½; 163½; 164½; 165½; 166½; 167½; 168½; 169½; 170½; 171½; 172½; 173½; 174½; 175½; 176½; 177½; 178½; 179½; 180½; 181½; 182½; 183½; 184½; 185½; 186½; 187½; 188½; 189½; 190½; 191½; 192½; 193½; 194½; 195½; 196½; 197½; 198½; 199½; 200½; 201½; 202½; 203½; 204½; 205½; 206½; 207½; 208½; 209½; 210½; 211½; 212½; 213½; 214½; 215½; 216½; 217½; 218½; 219½; 220½; 221½; 222½; 223½; 224½; 225½; 226½; 227½; 228½; 229½; 230½; 231½; 232½; 233½; 234½; 235½; 236½; 237½; 238½; 239½; 240½; 241½; 242½; 243½; 244½; 245½; 246½; 247½; 248½; 249½; 250½; 251½; 252½; 253½; 254½; 255½; 256½; 257½; 258½; 259½; 260½; 261½; 262½; 263½; 264½; 265½; 266½; 267½; 268½; 269½; 270½; 271½; 272½; 273½; 274½; 275½; 276½; 277½; 278½; 279½; 280½; 281½; 282½; 283½; 284½; 285½; 286½; 287½; 288½; 289½; 290½; 291½; 292½; 293½; 294½; 295½; 296½; 297½; 298½; 299½; 300½; 301½; 302½; 303½; 304½; 305½; 306½; 307½; 308½; 309½; 310½; 311½; 312½; 313½; 314½; 315½; 316½; 317½; 318½; 319½; 320½; 321½; 322½; 323½; 324½; 325½; 326½; 327½; 328½; 329½; 330½; 331½; 332½; 333½; 334½; 335½; 336½; 337½; 338½; 339½; 340½; 341½; 342½; 343½; 344½; 345½; 346½; 347½; 348½; 349½; 350½; 351½; 352½; 353½; 354½; 355½; 356½; 357½; 358½; 359½; 360½; 361½